

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA  
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

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April 6, 2004

**FROM:**           **DAVID H. SLAUGHTER**, Director  
Real Estate Services Department

**SUBJECT:**       **EXCHANGE OF COUNTY OWNED PROPERTY FOR A PARCEL OF LAND NEEDED  
FOR THE EL MIRAGE COOPERATIVE MANAGEMENT AREA**

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. Find that Assessor Parcel Number (APN) 0458-234-01, a 2.07 acre parcel, is no longer needed for use by the County of San Bernardino.
2. Authorize the Chairman to execute the deed to convey said parcel to Humberto F. Alcantar and Aurora T. Alcantar in exchange for APN 0461-222-06, which is needed for the El Mirage Cooperative Management Area. (Four votes required)

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** On July 16, 1990, the County entered into a Management Plan for the El Mirage Cooperative Management Area (Agreement 90-820) between the County, the State of California Off Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Commission (OHMVR), the Federal Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Barstow Resource Area, and the County of Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation. Pursuant to the terms of that Agreement, the County of San Bernardino is responsible for conducting a land acquisition program and acting as the acquisition agent to acquire approximately 14,000 acres. Presently, 1,850 acres of privately held property remains to be acquired. Funds for the land acquisition program are from grants provided by the State of California.

Part of the acquisition plan is to buy parcels, both inside and outside the El Mirage area boundaries, at a County tax sale using State grant funds. The parcels outside the area are purchased for the purpose of exchanging for needed parcels in the area. In some cases owners of parcels within the El Mirage area do not wish to sell but are willing to exchange for similar parcels outside the area.

The above named owners presently own a vacant land parcel needed for the project. They have agreed to exchange their El Mirage parcel for a similar parcel outside the project area. Based on an appraisal of both parcels, it has been determined that they are similar in size (approximately two acres) and value. The properties can be exchanged without further monetary consideration.

**REVIEW AND APPROVAL BY OTHERS:** This item has been reviewed by County Counsel (Charles S. Scolastico, Deputy County Counsel, 387-5481) on March 15, 2004 and the County Administrative Office (Daniel R. Kopp, Administrative Analyst, 387-3828) on March 26, 2004.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:** This transaction is an exchange of surplus County-owned property for property of similar size and value inside the El Mirage Cooperative Management Area. Approval of this item will not result in additional cost.

**SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT:** First

**PRESENTER:** David H. Slaughter, Director, 7-7813

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